

**In the Specification:**

**Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 1 with the following:**

The fingerprint verifying apparatus may further include a third light emitting device which emits ~~second~~ third light of a ~~second~~ third color. The fingerprint verifying circuit outputs a mismatch signal when the detected fingerprint image is not coincident with any of the registered fingerprint images, and the drive switch turns on the third light emitting device in response to the mismatch signal.

**Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 6 with the following:**

When determining that the produced fingerprint image of the finger 4 is coincident with any of the registered fingerprint images is registered (YES in step S6), the fingerprint verifying circuit 7 outputs a match signal to the light source switch 6. In response to the match signal, the first switching section (not shown) of the light source switch 6 turns off the first light emitting device 13 and a third switching section (not shown) of the light source switch 6 turns on the third light emitting device ~~[[14]]~~ 15 for a predetermined time period (step S8). As a result, the third light of the third color is emitted to a person with the finger 4 through the prism 2 and the finger detector 3.

Then, the third switching section turns off the second light emitting device 14 and the fingerprint verifying apparatus returns to a finger detecting operation of the steps S1 and S2.

**Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 23 with the following:**

When the fingerprint verifying circuit 7 cannot determine whether the produced fingerprint image of the finger 4 is coincident with any of the registered fingerprint images is registered (Other in step S6), the fingerprint verifying circuit 7 outputs a verification impossible signal to the light source switch 6. In response to the verification impossible signal, the first switching section (not shown) of the light source switch 6 continues to turn on the first light emitting device 13 for a predetermined time period (step S9). As a result, the first light of the first color is emitted to a person with the finger 4 through the prism 2 and the finger detector 3. Then, the first switching section turns off the first light emitting device [[14]] 13 and the fingerprint verifying apparatus returns to a finger detecting operation of the steps S1 and S2.